PATENT

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent by facsimile transmission in accordance with § 1.6(d) addressed to Art Unit 1636, Central Facsimile No. (703) 872-8395, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below. Date: December 17, 2004 Docket No. GC560-D1-C1 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of Volker Schellenberger et al. Group Art Unit: 1638 Serial No.: 10/719,571 Examiner: M. Marvich Filed: November 20, 2003 **Directed Evolution of** For. Microorganisms PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir. The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004:-one month to December 24, 2004; the extension fee is \$120.00. ; the extension fee is \$450.00. two months to ; the extension fee is \$1,020.00. three months to \_; the extension fee is \$1,590.00. four months to \_\_\_ \_; the extension fee is \$2,160.00. five months to The extended time for response does not exceed the statutory period.

dated\_

[X]

Charge \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1048.

The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action